

TORRINGTON COMPANY
CLINTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

The Torrington Company, Clinton, South Carolina, facility is a division of Ingersoll-Rand and manufactures needle bearings primarily for use by the automotive industry. Torrington will complete the requirements for ISO14001 certification in July 2001 and is a charter member of EPA's WasteWi\$e program. In conjunction with the 33/50 Program, Torrington collaborated with EPA to develop innovative technologies including cadmium and chromium recovery from electroplating rinsewaters and in-house methods for recycling coolants and lubricants.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

The Torrington Company Clinton facility demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance in the areas of water conservation and hazardous waste reduction. Between 1998 and 2000, the facility:

- **Reduced water use** after completing a water use audit to identify areas of inefficient water use and implementing corrective actions such as using treated groundwater from groundwater recovery system.
- **Reduced hazardous waste generation** through process modifications designed to eliminate the production of cyanide-bearing waste. Also eliminated chlorinated solvent degreasers with alkaline washing solutions.

Future Commitments

The Clinton facility also committed to continued environmental improvement through additional reductions in water and energy use and hazardous waste generation. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Maintain reduced water use** through continued monitoring of production practices and by supplementing water used in the manufacturing process with recycled water.
- **Reduce hazardous waste generation** by an additional 25% through discontinuing the use of copper plating operations at the facility, eliminating the production of cyanide-bearing waste.
- **Maintain reduced nonhazardous waste generation** through ongoing process improvement and equipment modifications.
- **Reduce energy use** by 1% through installing energy efficient cooling equipment designed to consume approximately 45% less energy per unit.

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:	Motor Vehicles and Parts
Business:	Manufactures needle bearings for automotive industry
Facility Employees:	More than 1,000
Accomplishments:	Reduced water use Reduced hazardous waste
2003 Commitments:	Reduce water use Reduce hazardous waste Reduce nonhazardous waste Reduce energy use
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Torrington Company Clinton facility uses its Web site to make the company's environmental information available to the public. In addition, facility staff support the local United Way and are active in an area organization that promotes excellence in public education. The Clinton facility also sponsored several local high school students to attend the 2000 South Carolina Business Week and offered job shadowing, mentoring, and internship opportunities for local college and high school students. Staff members participate in a program to regularly read with elementary school children and mentor students in middle school.